

# Griff Arranges Exhibition Date With Columbus—Open Season at Philadelphia

## GRIFFMEN TO PLAY JOE TINKER'S CLUB

Date With Columbus Brings  
Total of Exhibitions Up to  
Fifteen.

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Given "Five Cents' Worth" of Information After American League Meeting.

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.  
NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Manager Griffith will take his ball club to Columbus, Ohio, on April 8 to meet the outfit handled by Joe Tinker. This will necessitate the team's hopping from Washington to the Ohio capital, but the Old Fox thinks that can be done.

Walter Johnson has been promised to work for at least three innings against the Columbus club. Manager Tinker believes that, with but three days to go, Johnson may be willing to pitch five innings, although Tinker will not advertise him for this distance.

The Griffmen will be home April 3, meeting Georgetown and the Philadelphia Nationals for four games, running to April 9. The addition of the Columbus date means that the Griffmen will play fifteen exhibition games before the 1917 season opens.

The Commission Acts.  
The National Commission had an unusually long session yesterday. At the close very little was done. Garret Hermann untangled himself from a long beer long enough to say that "everything had been turned down, except that minor league clubs would not be obliged to turn over purchased players until they were willing."

Meeting a Fizzle.  
The meeting of the American League proved a fine fizzle. Ban Johnson came down to the lobby of the Hotel Wolcott, glared at the assembled scribes, and then disappeared. Later on everybody was informed that the American League was in session.

After something like five hours the scribes were invited to ascend to the heights of the hotel, were ushered into the rooms occupied by the lords of the league, and then given about 5 cents' worth of information. This is typical of the American League, at that, so why should any one complain?

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Yankee President Declares Public Desires Rivalry and Honest Effort, and Looks for Boom To Follow Failure of Frat.

By JOE VILA.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Col. Jacob Ruppert, who is president of the Yankees, discussed baseball affairs from various angles before attending the American League schedule meeting at the Hotel Wolcott yesterday afternoon. Colonel Ruppert became part owner of the Yankees with one idea in view, to win the world's championship. For a time last year it looked as if the Yankees would capture American League pennant, but injuries to Bill Donovan's star in the strike of the ball players had been successful the national game would have been ruined.

"The public desires rivalry on the diamond and honest efforts by the men who wear the uniforms. In order to insure the success of baseball the club owners must have unlimited power. The Federal League did much harm, and the fraternity was another detriment, but with the game now in the hands of sportsmen who know what the fans demand a great boom is sure to follow."

Yanks Are Stronger.  
"New York fans will have plenty of first-class sport this year. The Giants are wonderfully strong, and will be hard to beat in the National League."

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IGNORES ALEXANDER  
Phillies' President Fails to See Famous Pitcher.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 16.—What seems like a peculiar conception of the methods of big business between big men on the part of William F. Baker, president of the Philadelphia baseball club, may cost the club the services of Pitcher Grover Cleveland Alexander.

With the big hurler in the city for the purpose of discussing a difference in salary terms, Mr. Baker came over from New York yesterday, and not only failed to get in touch with the Nebraska marvel, but assumed an attitude which has further alienated the player from the club.

RETRIEVES DEFEAT  
G. W. U. Quint Trims Temple University in Return Game.

George Washington's basketball team gained revenge on Temple University, of Philadelphia, for a defeat received on the latter's floor last month by trimming the visitors at the Y. M. C. last night in a hard-fought contest. The score was 33 to 24.

After the first half was completed, the teams stood 18 all. Superior speed and guarding tactics gave George Washington the deciding margin.

## GRIFFS TO START ON FOREIGN SOIL

Washington Club at Philadelphia When Curtain Rolls Up on Campaign.

Washington fans are likely to be surprised today to know that their ball club does not open the 1917 campaign at Georgia avenue. Such is the case, however. The Griffmen will break from the barrier against Connie Mack's Athletics and then tackle the Yankees before running up the curtain in the Capital.

It has usually been the style for teams to open at home every other year, but Ban Johnson has seen fit to avert from custom this spring. He has booked the Griffmen to play away from home eight days before performing before their own rosters.

The Washington major league season is due to begin April 20, when the Philadelphia Athletics open a four-game series here. On April 11, the season gets under way everywhere as follows:

Griffmen at Philadelphia.  
Red Sox at New York.  
White Sox at St. Louis.  
Indians at Detroit.

At Home in June.  
Though the Griffmen will play the Eastern clubs in two short home stays before that, their first real long visit to Georgia avenue will open with the Red Sox on May 29, continuing through June 22. During that stay the champions, all the Western clubs, and the Athletics will be here.

The second long home stay runs from July 25 through August 15, the four frontier clubs and the Yankees paying their respects to the Griffmen here.

The third and final long home stay for Washington fans will run from September 5 through October 1, every club in the league appearing.

This season the Eastern clubs go West before the Western clubs come east. The Griffmen will make their debut in the West on May 19 at Cleveland.

The second foreign trip of the Griffmen will be a humdinger. Starting on June 23 at Boston, they will visit every club in the league, closing their trip in St. Louis, July 22, and heading for home.

The third long trip opens at Detroit August 17, and closes at Philadelphia September 4.

The final three days of the season will see the Griffmen in Boston.

All the Home Dates.  
Here are the dates for Georgia avenue:

Philadelphia—April 20, 21, 23, 24.  
New York—April 30, May 1, 2, 3.  
Boston—May 4, 5, 7, 8, 9.  
Boston—May 29, 30, 31.  
St. Louis—June 1, 2, 4, 5.  
Chicago—June 6, 7, 8, 9.  
Cleveland—June 11, 12, 13, 14.  
Detroit—June 15, 16, 18, 19.  
Philadelphia—June 20, 21, 22.  
Cleveland—July 25, 26, 27, 28.  
Detroit—July 30, 31, August 1, 2.  
St. Louis—August 3, 4, 6, 7.  
Chicago—August 8, 9, 10, 11.  
New York—August 13, 14, 15.  
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Philadelphia—September 13, 14, 15, 17.  
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Detroit—September 21, 22, 24.  
Chicago—September 25, 26, 27.  
Cleveland—September 28, 29, October 1.

AGGIES DEFEATED.  
LEXINGTON, Va., Feb. 16.—North Carolina A. and M. was unable to stop the Virginia Military Institute last night falling victim by 31 to 10.

ERNST RE-ELECTED.  
At a meeting of the Capital City Junior League held last night at John J. Ernst was re-elected president for the season of 1917, while Vic Clausen was named secretary. James McEneaney was re-elected treasurer for the season.

Six managers of last year's teams were present, while applications have been received from a number of Junior League clubs. A meeting of the managers of the circuit will be called some time next week for the purpose of adopting the by-laws and constitution and the arranging of a schedule.

RELAY RACE OFF  
But Washington and Lee Will Enter Stars in Meet.

Although Washington and Lee canceled its schedule relay race with Georgetown in the latter's indoor games at Washington on Saturday, the Generals will enter nine men in the individual events. The team, accompanied by Coach Forrest Fletcher and Manager J. B. Gladney, arrived here today.

The men and events in which they will compete follow: Hallman, pole vault; Henke, 50-yard dash, open; South Atlantic; Cromwell, 50-yard low hurdles, 50-yard dash, open; South Atlantic; hop, step and jump, 440-yard dash; Robbins, 50-yard novice, half mile, South Atlantic; McNitt, open mile; Johnson, shotput, South Atlantic; Powell, 50-yard novice, 600-yard novice; Gladney, 50-yard open, 40-yard open.

The track team is considered one of the best that ever represented the university and it is felt that it has better than a fair chance to carry away its share of the honors in tomorrow's meet.

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## BOB THAYER'S GOSSIP ON SPORTING MATTERS

You may be sure the Georgetown meet will be started well, for Jimmy Mulligan will have charge of the gun firing. Mulligan is one of the best starters of sprint races we have seen in many a year. In addition to getting the boys off well his handling of the more or less nervous youngsters is more than commendable.

Navy will resume its athletic program. Only those actually engaged against the navy teams will be permitted in the Academy grounds. The order shutting out all civilians from the yard at Annapolis has been in force two weeks. It was seen that the Academy athletes would be without contests save among themselves and a late order permitting competition with outsiders has been put through recently. This permits the usual crew races, tennis matches, and the baseball games this spring. It is a good thing that the youngsters are allowed their sports during the remainder of the year. All work and no play is not to be thought of in connection with the thousand youngsters at Uncle Sam's institution.

Manager Devlin has worked like a good one in getting the Georgetown meet under way. The illness of graduate manager Charlie Cox has thrown the responsibility of the affair on the youngster who appears to have been able to shoulder the burden.

Arguments pro and con will probably be heard among faculty athletic advisers today as to the relative merits of the long and short baseball series. It is a crying shame that Washington schools are without suitable grounds upon which to stage their baseball games. The Central stadium is thought to be too small for the baseball series, the right field fence being too short a distance from the home plate. Even were the games to be staged there it would work hardship on Central athletes. Eastern will be provided in a few years with a suitable athletic field. This cannot come too soon as the schools are forced to beg grounds upon which to stage their games.

America boasts probably the greatest runner in the world in Jole Ray, the little Chicago youth who recently smashed the American two-mile record. Ray ran the distance in 9 minutes 11 2/5 seconds, which beat the mark of George Bonham of 9:14 1/5, and experts all over the country are predicting that before long he will break the world's record held by Alfred Shrubbs, the Englishman, of 9:09 3/5. Ray is barely twenty and is improving right along. Howard Valentine, a New York track expert, has this to say about the Chicago flyer: "Put Ray on the Harvard Stadium track on a dry, clear day and he'll trounce Shrubbs' mark as easily as he did Bonham's."

If reports are true, and Georges Carpentier, the French fighter is dead, the world loses one of its finest representatives of the squared circle. Throughout his career Carpentier has showed himself to be a good sport and a gentleman.

Since the war began he has become one of the most beloved citizens of his country. His exploits have given him a name throughout the world for bravery. If Carpentier is still alive and ever visits this country he probably will be given a welcome never before accorded a visiting boxer. America is fond of Carpentier's type. It has shown this in its frowning attitude toward Les Darcy, the slacker.

One of the most notable gatherings of sport celebrities in history

## FACULTY ADVISERS MEET TODAY AT "Y"

Talk Over Baseball Situation Before Double-Header in Basketball.

With the publication of the American League baseball schedule today high school faculty advisers are getting together at the Y. M. C. A. to talk over and arrange the annual championship baseball dates for the five high schools.

An effort will be made to obtain the use of the American League baseball park for a part of the series. Manager Griffith is in New York as present, but will be approached on his arrival and asked for several games at the big league grounds.

Basketball Active.  
Today Technical and Eastern will take the floor at the "Y" in the first game of a double header. Tech has a clear lead for the title at present with five games won and one lost. Eastern held the Tech players to a 16 to 9 count in their last engagement.

Central and Western are down for the second contest of the day. Western will probably use a number of youngsters. A win or loss will in no way affect the standing of the team, and it has been planned to give the youngsters a taste of floor work in preparation for next season. Central is slated to visit Toms School at Fort Deposit, Md., tomorrow.

Series To Close.  
The high school basketball series will close on Tuesday, when Technical and Business line up for the final battle. A win for Tech today will put the team in such a position that it can lose to Business without changing the standing of the league. Business is already assured of second place, while Central will have to be content with the third place position. Western and Eastern follow in order. Tech's only loss so far was the engagement with the Business team.

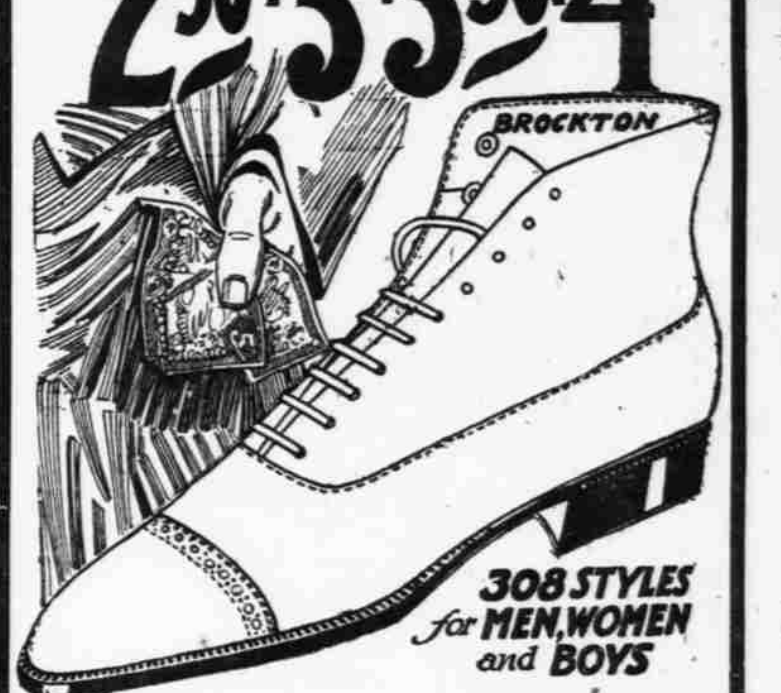
Others Are Playing.  
Friends Select School is engaging the Georgetown Freshmen today. The Freshman team was beaten earlier in the season by a decisive score. Friends is expected to get considerable practice before the return games with the Baltimore Friends to be played in Baltimore February 24.

Army and Navy Preps will engage St. Albans School today in a return game at St. Albans. The Preps handed the St. Albans quint an awful beating in their last engagement. Gonzaga won its second game of the week yesterday in defeating Alexandria High School by 43 to 18.

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